CJC Programs and Interventions Committee Meeting Minutes

December 5, 2013

Attended: Kerri McKenzie (HOC), Sara Carpenter (DRC), Kit Murphy McNally (Citizen Advocate), Ed Gordon (JusticePoint), Jeanne Geraci (Benedict Center), Michael O'Hear (Marquette Law School), Jeff Altenburg (DA's office), Dawn Rablin (Public Attorney), Nate Holton (CJC), Carmella DeLucia (CJC)

Update from HOC

Kerri McKenzie updated the group about the House of Corrections and their current initiatives. The HOC is looking to add new vendors for the electric monitoring devices; while there are 244 individuals on electric monitoring devices they are looking to expand the program. They are also planning to remodel the inmate dining hall to create a recreational/work place, as well as looking into forming a classification system for dorms which would give those on good behavior priority access to the dining hall. There was a discussion about exploring the idea of having attorneys meet with clients through a video chat. With all the transitions going on at one time, and without all movements being centralized, there was a need for specific data on inmate movement for adequate policy changes around these transitions. Would be helpful to have data to present to County Board so that the HOC can outline what their needs are and if they are being met.

SCRAM update

Sarah Carpenter updated the group on SCRAM which currently has 350 participants, 75-80 in HOC that are continuing SCRAM through house arrest, and through DRC there are 61 participants. Most of the DRC participants are male with one female, with the majority successfully completing the program. The clients are very invested in completing the program and enjoyed the open house event. In 2014 they will be adding a new partner that will help in programming- DOC, and they will no longer have programming through Children's. There was a discussion about the event and although it was well attended they would have liked more key members to be involved and will look at changing the time for the next event to resolve that. They also have a new tutor on board which has been an asset to the organization.

Huber/DRC Facility Strategy update

 McNally informed the group that there has been strong support from various entities, but there has been the need to make the new Huber/DRC facility more fasttracked.

CLU update

Ed Gordon updated the group on the start plan for the CLU which may be around February 1, 2013. Hiring should start within the next four weeks. They have looked into cognitive intervention programming, as well as adding programming for DPA's. The eligibility criterion for DPA's has some ambiguity that could be adjusted. They are also looking into working with Wraparound Milwaukee.

Next Meeting February 6, 2014